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Annual Moot Court Competition Convenes July 24 in Ventura

Ventura—The Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division Six, will host its Annual Moot Court Competition on Tuesday, July 24, 2007, announced Presiding Justice Arthur Gilbert. The competition will begin at 2 p.m. in the Court of Appeal's courtroom at 200 E. Santa Clara Street, Ventura. The session is open to the public.

Ventura College of Law, Santa Barbara College of Law, and the University of West Los Angeles School of Law will take part in the competition, which features a fictitious criminal case.

Each law school is divided into appellants and respondents who file briefs and participate in mock oral arguments to earn a berth in the finals. The winning students from each school present oral argument before Presiding Justice Gilbert and Associate Justices Paul H. Coffee and Steven Z. Perren. The student from each school with the most persuasive argument is presented with an award of recognition.

Ventura College of Law and Santa Barbara College of Law have dedicated their competition to the memory of Retired Justice Richard W. Abbe.

The University of West Los Angeles School of Law has dedicated their competition to the memory of Barry Levin, a former law professor at the school's San Fernando Valley campus and prominent defense attorney.

A reception for the students, their families, and faculty will follow in the library. For more information concerning this outreach program, please contact Assistant Clerk/Administrator Paul T. McGill at 805-641-4711, Law Professor Michael C. McMahon at 805-477-7114 or Adjunct Law Professor David F. Glassman at 818-601-1537.